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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Vice Chair Wendy McKamey, on March 21, 2017 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Bryce Bennett, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Wendy McKamey, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)
Rep. John Fleming (D)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Custer (R)
Rep. A. Knudsen (R)
Rep. Sales (R)
Rep. Mandeville (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joanne Kauzlarich, Committee Secretary
Sheri Scurr, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 240, 3/8/2017; SB 274, 3/8/2017; SB 303, 3/8/2017

HEARING ON SB 240

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:44 Sen. Edward Buttrey (R), SD 11, opened the hearing on SB 240, Revise laws related to legislator healthcare benefits.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:06:25 Director Susan Fox, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:07:00 Rep. Staffanson
00:07:19 Director Susan Fox, LSD
00:07:43 Rep. Staffanson
00:07:48 Director Susan Fox, LSD

Closing by Sponsor:

00:08:09 Sen. Buttrey

HEARING ON SB 274

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:09:11 Sen. Edward Buttrey (R), SD 11, opened the hearing on SB 274, Revise and clarify special purpose district election laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:10:26 Bonnie Ramey, Jefferson County Clerk and Recorder
00:12:19 Commissioner Bob Mullen, Jefferson County
00:13:30 Shantil Siaperas, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

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Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:16:13 Rep. Sales
00:16:42 Sen. Buttrey

Closing by Sponsor:

00:17:50 Sen. Buttrey

HEARING ON SB 303

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:18:36 Sen. Edward Buttrey (R), SD 11, opened the hearing on SB 303, Revise Montana veteran home loan program laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:21:20 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Building Industry Association (MBIA)

00:22:36 Roger Hagan, National Guard of Montana (MTNGA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:24:01 Bruce Brensdal, Montana Board of Housing (MBOH)

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00:24:52 Doug Hill, Montana Board of Investments (BOI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:25:24 Rep. Staffanson

00:25:52 Roger Hagan, MTNGA

00:26:49 Rep. Staffanson

00:27:04 Roger Hagan, MTNGA

00:28:10 Rep. Webb

00:29:02 Bruce Brensdal, MBOH

00:29:26 Rep. Webb

00:29:37 Bruce Brensdal, MBOH

00:30:35 Rep. Karjala

00:31:25 Bruce Brensdal, MBOH

00:31:36 Rep. Karjala

00:31:55 Bruce Brensdal, MBOH

00:32:34 Rep. Webber

00:33:02 Bruce Brensdal, MBOH

00:33:39 Rep. Price

00:34:20 Sen. Buttrey

00:34:38 Rep. Bennett

00:34:58 Bruce Brensdal, MBOH

Closing by Sponsor:

00:35:40 Sen. Buttrey

00:37:25 Vice Chair McKamey

00:38:23 Rep. Bachmeier

00:38:30 Rep. Staffanson

00:38:40 Vice Chair McKamey

00:38:57 Rep. Karjala

00:39:04 Vice Chair McKamey

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:39:32

Joanne Kauzlarich, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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